

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application. Claims 1-45 are pending in the application.

5 **Interview Summary**

Applicant's attorney, Michael Colby, wishes to thank Examiner Quoc Tran for a telephonic interview on June 7th, 2007.

10 In the interest of expediting allowance of the application, and without conceding the propriety of the rejections, Applicant's attorney proposed to amend each of the independent claims to further clarify features of Applicant's invention. Applicant's attorney understood the Examiner to agree that the proposed amendments overcome the outstanding rejections based on Bradley and Ricker. The Examiner indicated that he would need to update his search, and requested that the proposed amendments be presented in writing.

15 Accordingly, the independent claims have been amended herein, as discussed during the interview. Applicant submits that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If any issues remain that would prevent the allowance of the application, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney to resolve the issues.

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Claim Objections

Claims 13, 14, and 43 stand objected to for various informalities or for having an alleged "indefinite" phrase. Applicant amends these claims as set forth above, thereby obviating the grounds for these objections.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-45 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2005/0194219 to Bradley et al. ("Bradley") in view of U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2002/0049790 to Ricker et al. ("Ricker").

As noted in the Interview Summary above, Applicant understands the Office to agree that the independent claims as amended and all of their dependent claims are allowable over the art of record. If there are any issues that would prevent the application from being forward to issuance, Applicant respectfully requests that the Office contact the undersigned attorney to address the issue.

Conclusion

Claims 1-45 are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt allowance of the subject application. If any issue remains unresolved that would prevent allowance of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned agent to resolve the issue.

Respectfully Submitted,

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